

TRAIN SLAUGHTERS FOUR OUT OF PARTY OF FIVE OVERTAKEN

Woman Among Victims, and Negro Escapes With Serious Injuries.

BLUEFIELD, W. Va., June 8.—Four persons are dead and probably fatally injured, as the result of being struck by a Norfolk and Western train late last night. The dead:

MRS. MARTHA NOTEL, JAMES PAYNE, town constable. JOHN ASHWORTH. EDWARD JONES.

Charles Oades, a negro, was seriously injured and has never regained consciousness.

Notel and Oades had just been tried before a justice of the peace on a serious charge, and both were found guilty. They were turned over to Constable Payne, who started for his residence, where he was to keep the prisoners until today. The party, which included Mrs. Notel, the prosecuting witness, was run down by the train. Ashworth and Jones, it is claimed, were helping Payne take the prisoners to his residence.

Young Eugene Austin Found at Niagara Falls

While his mother was searching New York city for him, sixteen-year-old Eugene Austin, of 1116 Park place northeast, was enjoying himself at Niagara Falls.

The boy was reported missing from his home here about ten days ago, and the police were asked to locate him. They were informed of his presence in Niagara Falls last night, and communicated with his mother, who will go there to bring him home.

DEATHS

BENDER—On Wednesday, June 7, 1911, at 11 o'clock a. m., CATHERINE, beloved wife of John J. Bender, aged fifty-five years. Funeral from her late residence, 1516 East Capitol street, on Friday, June 9, at 2:30 p. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment at Prospect Hill cemetery.

BIGGS—On Wednesday, June 7, 1911, CHARLES E. BIGGS, husband of Ellen Biggs and son of the late James Biggs and Elizabeth Biggs. Funeral from his late residence, 2410 I street, Friday, June 9, at 2 p. m. Interment at Rock Creek cemetery.

BROWN—Passed away on Friday, June 7, 1911, at 2:15 p. m., at the residence of her niece, Mrs. Carrie B. Stover, Monmouth, N. J. After a short illness. Deceased, widow of Capt. W. Ross Brown.

Prayer will be held at the chapel of S. H. Hines, 1715 Fourteenth street northwest, on Thursday, June 8, at 10 a. m.

BROWNING—On Wednesday, June 7, 1911, at 10:20 a. m., BOND, beloved husband of Dona E. Browning, aged thirty-seven years. Funeral from his late residence, East Pleasant, Prince George's county, Md., on Friday, June 9, at 10 o'clock a. m. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

CHAMBERLIN—On Wednesday, June 7, 1911, at 10:45 p. m., Mr. AUSTIN BEVERLY CHAMBERLIN, aged 72 years, of the Supreme Council, Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction of the United States.

Remains will be taken to Galveston, Tex., for interment, leaving tonight at 10:45 o'clock.

CHAMBERLIN, AUSTIN BEVERLY—The members of Evangelist Chapter, Rose Croix, No. 1, will assemble at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, 22nd street northeast, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., Thursday, June 8, 1911, for the purpose of performing the Rose Croix funeral service for their late member, Mr. Chamberlin.

CHAMBERLIN, AUSTIN BEVERLY—Sovereign Grand Inspector General, Texas, and Secretary-General of the Supreme Council, Third-Order, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States.

There will be a Camp Guard, under command of Capt. Frank E. Gibson, will act as active pallbearers and the honorary thirty-third degree members as honorary pallbearers.

ALLEN RUSSELL, 2242 H. N. W. Master. EDWARD E. SIMPSON, K.C.C.R., Secretary.

FRASER—On Wednesday, June 7, 1911, at 10:30 a. m., EDWARD COOKE, son of George E. and Louise G. Fraser. Funeral services at his late residence, 1000 B street southwest, on Thursday, June 8, at 2 p. m.

HILL—On Monday, June 5, 1911, at 12:30 Wallach place, TRULY JUSTICE HILL, husband of Sarah Keonir Hill. Interment at Providence, R. I.

LOCKWOOD—On Wednesday, June 7, 1911, at 8:45 p. m., W. A. LOCKWOOD, president of the W. A. Lockwood Dental Company. (Brooklyn papers please copy.)

MOLLOY—Suddenly, on Wednesday, June 7, 1911, at 8:15 p. m., at her residence, 2200 Champlain street, MARY MOLLOY, nee (see Donohue), beloved wife of James Molloy, aged fifty-seven years.

Notice of funeral hereafter. (South Dakota papers please copy.)

O'NEIL—On Tuesday, June 6, 1911, at 8:45 a. m., at Providence Hospital, WILLIAM O'NEIL, aged seventy-five years. Funeral from chapel of Frank Geller's, 1313 Seventh street northwest, on Thursday, June 8, at 8:30 a. m.; requiem mass at St. Patrick's Church at 9 o'clock. Interment at Arlington National Cemetery.

RODIE—At Washington, D. C., June 7, 1911, Chief Engineer EDWARD DUNHAM RODIE, U. S. N., rear admiral, retired. Funeral from his residence, 1321 Twenty-first street, Friday, June 9, at 2 o'clock p. m. Interment at Arlington.

SLADE—On Tuesday, June 6, 1911, at 7:30 a. m., at his residence, 1111 Linden street northeast, JAMES H. SLADE, husband of Anna Lee Slade and father of Frederick Slade, son of Green Slade, and brother of John W. Slade.

Funeral Friday, June 9, at 2 p. m., from Metropolitan A. M. E. Church. Interment at Woodlawn cemetery.

SMITH—Departed this life, in New York, on Tuesday, June 6, 1911, FRANK K. SMITH, aged 72 years. Funeral from his late residence, 1504 S street northeast, MARY ELLEN, wife of Stark D. Taylor, in the eighty-second year of her age. Funeral from her late residence on Thursday, June 8, at 11 a. m.

TYLER—On Tuesday, June 6, 1911, TERESA HENRIETTA TYLER, departed this life at the age of 111 years. Native of Frederick, Md.; beloved mother of Mrs. Douglas Brown. Funeral Friday, June 9, at 9 o'clock, at St. Augustine's Church.

ZIRHORN—On Wednesday, June 7, 1911, at his residence, 203 Third street southeast, GEORGE P. ZIRHORN, beloved husband of Elizabeth Zirhorn. By order of the funeral home of our late brother, GEORGE P. ZIRHORN, Exalted Ruler. Attest: RICHARD A. O'BRIEN, Secretary.

ZIRHORN—A special session of Washington Lodge, No. 15, B. O. E. U. E. will be held in the lodge room on Friday, the 9th inst., at 2:15 p. m., for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late brother, GEORGE P. ZIRHORN.

Funeral from his late residence, Friday, June 9, at 4 p. m. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

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any trouble. They seemed congenial and happy. It was about two years ago that they moved away, and since then we have only heard from them once. That was when Mattie came to see my wife one day last fall. She said she and her husband had separated, but that she never abused her and she couldn't stand it.

"In the four years that they lived next to us we never knew her to do an improper, unkind, or violent act. She was far above the average of her race in intelligence, and she wanted to learn and improve herself. She worked all the time at good homes as a servant or nursemaid, and attended school at night. We know that she was honest and that she never drank. She never paid any attention to other men or wasted any time in any sort of nonsense. So far as we know, she never showed any evidence of having a violent temper, or of being in any respect vicious, cruel, or depraved in any respect."

Mr. Lobestack, who was present, indorsed the statement of Mr. Billings. "Every word of that is correct. Mattie was a good darky. I am sure there must have been extenuating circumstances connected with the killing of her husband. Like Mr. Billings, I am ready to do all I can to save her from the gallows."

Visits Condemned Woman.

Mrs. Lobestack has been to the District Jail to see the condemned woman since sentence was passed on her. To a Times representative she said:

"I, too, will be glad to join my husband and Mr. Billings in making affidavit to the President regarding the character of Mattie Lomax. I, of course, would feel no particular interest in the case of a woman who had been so kind of a woman—if she hadn't been so good and honest and of such good character. Being a good woman, how could I have already been to see her and shall go every few days. I think that is pretty good evidence of what I think of her and of the justice of the sentence that has been imposed upon her. She worked for me often and had a hearty opportunity to be dishonest, but never was so. In many ways she showed she was absolutely trustworthy. You know, living next door to anybody who has a good character, you have a chance to find out what their character is. Mattie never did a thing to indicate her character was anything but good."

Letter to Caleb Powers.

Mr. Billings has also expressed his opinion of Mattie Lomax and his willingness to help her in a letter to Representative Caleb Powers, who has referred the letter to Attorneys Nathaniel Truitt and John Ridout, counsel for the prisoner, who will at once take steps to obtain affidavits from the Billingses and Lobestacks. The letter follows:

"I am very glad to see you take up the case of Mattie E. Lomax. Although not of her color, I was a next-door neighbor to her for several years and knew her well. I write you these lines in her behalf, to say that she was a good neighbor, quiet and honorable, and that she was a woman of good character. I am sure that capital punishment should not be her fate.

"My mother, my wife, and myself can all testify for her good character before her trouble, which ended so fatally, and anything that I can do to aid you in your efforts in her behalf will be cheerfully offered."

Three Colored Pastors
In Washington Arrange
Meetings for Protest

The colored pastors of Washington are taking a keen interest in the fate of Mattie E. Lomax, who has been condemned to death on the gallows. Mass meetings to protest and to circulate petitions have been called at three churches, as follows:

June 12, 9 p. m.—Memorial Church; speakers, Senator Charles Curtis, Representative Powers, and Attorney John Ridout.

June 13, 9 p. m.—Cosmopolitan Temple Baptist Church; speaker, Representative Powers.

June 13, 9:30 p. m.—Friendship Baptist Church; speaker, Representative Powers.

Letters Show Public
Interest In Lomax
Case Is Spreading

That public interest in the Lomax case is spreading every day is indicated by the mail received by The Washington

Times. Today another batch of letters arrived from Times readers who wish to discuss the death sentence in the columns of this newspaper. A few of them are published herewith.

Prerogative of Sex?

To the Editor of THE TIMES:

That woman is constitutionally incompetent is so true a saying and so oft repeated that its reiteration here needs no explanation. The suggestion is also appended, however, that the knowledge of law and familiarity with legal affairs should tend, it would seem, to mitigate her unreasonableness in a measure.

Yet, somehow, the jewel shines with no greater brilliancy in the diadems of our learned Portia than upon the least favored brows of those of us who plead no other knowledge than common sense.

Pardon the ignorance of one who knows no fine Blackstonian distinctions when she inquires why hanging isn't one of those splendidly manly prerogatives which the law has reserved for those striving to attain? Haven't men enjoyed this privilege for ages, and in our Capital City, too, and has anyone ever protested? Surely the suffragette should rejoice that an entering wedge into man's domain, which she so earnestly longs to occupy, has at last been forced, and that one of his rights is about to be extended to her down-trodden sex. She must not expect to acquire everything at once. Enfranchisement, liberty, are not so gained.

Should Try Hanging.

She should try hanging first, and if that proves as agreeable as it has to her brothers she may then take up more of his rights.

I may have overlooked some of the news items during the past few years, but I do not recall any very serious uprising among society, and legal lights of femininity over the hanging of a man, whatever his color. It surely cannot be that our suffragette friends want only the pleasant "rights," and that they hesitate to assume those which fall to appeal to their sense of luxury.

Perish the thought! If hanging is good for men, women should have it by all means.

I am not yet a suffragette, but when I come one I shall insist upon enjoying all of the "rights" which the other sex have struggled with and battled against all these ages past.

I shall smoke and chew and drink and swear and vote and be hanged.

MARY L. NORRIS.

Hanging Is Murder.

To the Editor of THE TIMES:

Acting in accordance with your suggestion in The Times of Sunday, with relation to your editorial published on the previous Thursday, concerning the sentence of Mattie Lomax, I beg to say that capital punishment is a crime against any person, as much as any of the acts listed in a criminal lexicon. It is purely and simply murder.

Capital punishment is murder by the state of one of its members and the state is culpable if it permits capital punishment. I can only say, therefore, that if Mattie Lomax is hanged in the District Jail, despite the protest in which I heartily concur, the blame can only be placed upon those who have the power to commute the sentence and do not exercise it.

WILLIAM H. DECK.

Says Law Must Be Enforced.

To the Editor of THE TIMES:

Your efforts in behalf of Mattie Lomax are most commendable, and the wide circulation of The Washington Times will insure the attention of many people.

The great cry is "Prevent this gross sacrifice and insult to womanhood," and "Save this city from disgrace." The "insult to womanhood" and the "disgrace to the city," if there can be any such thing, were committed by the murderer, not by the law. The law which condemns the crime for which she must now suffer.

If the President refuses to commute the sentence, he will be doing his duty as did the men who condemned and sentenced her. The President has been entrusted with the highest office in the gift of the people and, as Chief Executive, has taken oath to uphold the laws of the United States, which, in appreciation of the confidence of the American people, he will do without fear.

ANDREW ARNED.

Protest of Spiritualists.

To the Editor of THE TIMES:

As a spiritualist minister, I desire to be on record as opposed to capital punishment. The spiritualists of the world are as a body working against this

legal taking of life, either by the state or on the battlefield.

The taking of human life is never right, for two wrongs never make a right. Murder is equally wrong, and state should be prevented. Example is a wondrous power. Little boys play soldier and cowboy and imitate killing, carrying toy guns and swords. The pre-natal and post-natal conditions of the individual should be conserved for the purest and best. Heredity and environment induce habits. Children should be instructed otherwise than in the heroics that lead to killing in battle or for revenge. Passion should be controlled, and no thought of taking life enter into the spirit of justice.

The trouble is that life cannot be destroyed. Immediate continuity of life in immortal career is a proven fact. The individual is not purified by death. Resurrection, or birth into spirit planes, is immediate. The murderer is thus yet a murderer in spirit; perhaps with revenge a dominant force.

What happens? Psychological power is possessed; and some weakling is found, who, being possessed, becomes the unaccounted victim of a murderous crime. The murderer is thus yet a murderer in spirit; perhaps with revenge a dominant force.

The laws are for human protection; without showing mercy to the murderer, it is far better to incarcerate and make them labor for outraged society.

The spirit in the body is confined by four walls. There is the place for a murderer. Pardon should never be given unless for proven reformation or innocence.

Our real protection is by education. Teach fathers and mothers to bring love children, and not just or hate children, into the world; and then let the child grow up in a loving environment. Conditions shall be all for purity, self-control, and just dealings with each other, and thus education and generation will reform the world.

Capital punishment, as an evil, should be abolished, and sure punishment of crime be made so positive that no one need feel they can escape consequence of misdeeds.

GEORGE W. KATES,
Secretary National Spiritualists' Association.

To Circulate Petition.

To the Editor of THE TIMES:

I am moved beyond expression in my appreciation of the interest that your paper is taking in behalf of Mattie E. Lomax. It seems to me that every man and woman in this city would sign a petition asking the commutation of the death sentence against this unfortunate woman. I cannot believe that the end of justice will be met in the carrying out of the present sentence. I shall ever believe that there were provocations that have never been told, that caused this crime to be committed; causes that would blind any woman to like passion. I very much wish that the intervention would give this unfortunate woman her freedom.

I plan to hold a mass meeting at Miles Memorial Church Sunday night, June 12, at which time Senator Curtis, Representative Powers, and Attorney John Ridout have been invited to speak. I have adopted the petition as outlined in The Times, and that will be placed in convenient places at the church all day Sunday, and the people will be requested to sign the same. I believe not less than 1,000 will sign readily.

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Bayard to Conduct Robie Funeral Services

Chaplain Bayard, of the Washington Navy Yard, will officiate at the funeral services for Rear Admiral Edward D. Robie, U. S. N., retired, that are to be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock from his residence, 1331 Twenty-first street northwest.

Rear Admiral Robie died at an early hour yesterday morning of pneumonia. He was eighty years old. He had spent an eventful life during his service in the navy.

He was the designer of the first floating derrick used in the United States Navy, and of the first steel boiler used on a naval vessel. The first floating iron drydock constructed in the United States also was the result of his inspiration. He superintended the construction of the monitor Dictator. His death is widely mourned in military and naval circles.

Stream of European
Diamonds Flows Here

NEW YORK, June 8.—Importations of diamonds and other precious stones through the local port for the fiscal year that will end June 30, are estimated at nearly \$45,000,000, with one exception the largest on record.

Fifty-six in Class at Catholic University

Fifty-six young men today hold diplomas, presented to them by Mgr. Diomed Falconio, apostolic delegate, as evidence that they have completed their courses in the Catholic University. Graduating exercises were held yesterday in the auditorium of McMahon Hall after the class had marched from Caldwell Hall.

Monsignor Falconio, before presenting each graduate with his diploma, spoke to the class on the possibilities of the university.

The Rev. Thomas J. Shahan in his address laid particular stress upon the work the university is doing in the broadening of education both in and outside the school. He spoke of the numerous contributions to literature made by members of the faculty during the last year. Especially did he comment upon the works of Dr. Vaschide, Dr. Turner, Dr. Kirby, and Prof. Robinson. As evidence of the wide recognition and attention gained by the lectures delivered, the Rev. Father Shahan called attention to the address made by Dr. Fox on socialism, and cited the lectures on education and pedagogy by Drs. Shields and Pace.

Attention was called to the material growth shown by the erection of the Gibbons Memorial Hall, the construction of a large new plant and the increase in the library to 70,000 volumes. The school has 200 students.

Work Started Today on New Presbyterian Church

With simple but impressive ceremonies, Rev. T. B. Thompson, pastor of the Sherwood Presbyterian Church, last evening broke ground at Rhode Island avenue and Twenty-second street northeast for the new church edifice to be erected by the congregation. About 100 persons attended the services.

After prayer had been offered by the pastor, members of the board of trustees explained the purpose of the gathering, and gave a brief description of the building to be erected. The Rev. Thompson then lifted the first shovelful of dirt. Following him were the trustees, deacons, and the board of elders, and the individual members of the congregation.

The new edifice will be built after plans by F. H. Jackson, of Brooklyn, and is to cost \$7,000. The construction is to be frame and pebble dash, with the contract for completion calling for the building to be ready for occupancy on October 1. The contractor this morning began the actual work of excavation.

The board of elders of the church consists of John Duncan, Charles Rockwood, John Seater, E. B. Niemeyer, John F. Carlson, and J. Fred Orth. The trustees are James Benefield, W. Grant Liewallen, William P. Gochenour, Chester R. Smith, Henry Burton, and Alfred J. Jeffers. The deacons are Florian Hitz, A. W. Beer, and M. J. Nemia.



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